mittee has not made any separate or specific recommendation for setting up of a Council for Medical Laboratory Technologists.

Revision of interest rates on bank deposits

335. SHRI SYED SIBTEY RAZI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether rates of interest on different deposits with banks have been revised twice in the past;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof with steps taken to publicise this increase by concerned banks;

(c) whether Government also proposes to revise rates of interest on savings being collected through Post Offices; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir. The rates of interests on deposits from public in Scheduled Commercial Banks were revised on 13-4-1991 and again on 4-7-1991.

(b) The details of the revised rates of interest on deposit from public in Scheduled Commercial banks in force at present are given below :—

Period of Deposits	Rate of Interest per annum (%)
(1) 46 days to less than one year	9.00
(2) 1 year to less than 2 years	10.00
(3) 2 years to less than 3 years	11.00
(4) 3 years and above	13.00

The above rates are already in public knowledge.

(c) and (d) The information is being collected from the Department of Posts of the Government and the same will be laid on the Table of the House.

336. [*Transferred to the 12th September, 1991*]

Investment offers from Japan

337. KUMARI CHANDRIKA PREMJI KENIA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether in view of the new Industrial Policy Government have under its consideration any proposals to open an establishment in Japan for a South Asian Business Publicity Centre to give wide publicity to smaller business and also to attract business tycoons of that country for investment in India;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether any investment offers from Japan have been received; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the terms on which the whole matter is being decided?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): (a) and (b) India Investment Centre has an overseas office in Tokyo which looks after the promotion of foreign private investment in India.

(c) and (d) Foreign Investment offers are received from foreign companies from time to time and are disposed of in accordance with policy.

Setting up of an International Banking Corporation

338. KUMARI CHANDRIKA PREMJI KENIA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government have under its consideration a proposal to set up an International Banking Corporation to take care of the operations of overseas branches of the public sector banks; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) and (b) Government has accorded in principle approval for setting up a new international bank to take over the existing overseas branches net-work of the nationalised banks. Reserve Bank of India is seized of the matter of drawing up detailed proposals in this regard.

Adjudication proceeding against M/s. I.T.C. Limited

339. DR. BAPU KALDATE:

SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA:

SHRI MOHAMMED AFZAL alias MEEM AFZAL:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 3491 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 6th September, 1990 and state:

(a) whether Government are aware of adjudication proceedings on show cause notices issued to M/s. I.T.C. Limited which involve more than Rs. 800 crores;

(b) if so, what is the latest position of these proceeding: and

(c) in what manner Government propose to complete the proceedings expeditiously in view of large amount of revenue involved?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) With a view to expedite adjudication of the case against M/s. I.T.C. Limited, and similar other cases, the Government has specially posted an Officer of the grade of Collector of Central Excise, primarily for adjudication of the cases. Considerable progress in the adjudication proceedings has been made.

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340. श्री जगदीश प्रसाद माथुर :

श्रीमती सुषमा स्वराज :

क्या मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) राष्ट्रीय वेद विद्या प्रतिष्ठान की प्रबंध समिति की अंतिम बैठक कब हुई थी ;

(ख) उपरोक्त बैठक में वैदिक गणित के संबंध में क्या निर्णय लिया गया ;

(ग) वैदिक गणित के बारे में लिए गए निर्णय को अभी तक कितना कार्यान्वित किया गया है ; और

(घ) इस संबंध में अभी तक की गई प्रगति का ब्यौरा क्या है ?

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री (श्री अर्जन सिंह) : (क) और (ख) राष्ट्रीय वेद विद्या प्रतिष्ठान की प्रबंधक समिति की पिछली बैठक दिनांक 24-1-1991 को आयोजित की गई थी जिसमें वैदिक गणित के बारे में निम्नलिखित निर्णय लिए गए :—

(i) वैदिक गणित की सामग्री जिसे रा०शै०अ०परि० द्वारा अपनी गणित की शिक्षक, गाइड में शामिल किया गया है, उसे रा०शै०अ०प्र०परि० द्वारा गणित की पुस्तकों में भी एक वैकल्पिक तथा समृद्ध सामग्री के रूप में भी शामिल किया जाना चाहिए ।

(ii) वैदिक गणित का उपयोग करने वाले संगणक साफ्टवेयर को राष्ट्रीय विज्ञान, प्रौद्योगिकी तथा विकास अध्ययन संस्थान तथा रुड़की विश्वविद्यालय में विकसित किया जाना चाहिए जिसका उद्देश्य यह होगा कि इसका उपयोग, गणितज्ञों, तकनीकी शिल्पकारों, अध्येताओं तथा छात्रों द्वारा भी उपयोग किया जाए ।